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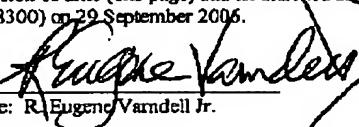
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In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Hitoshi MATSUMOTO *et al.*  
 Serial Number : 10/019,402  
 Filed : December 28, 2001  
 For : COMPOSITIONS FOR FOODS, PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
       THE SAME, AND FUNCTIONAL FOODS AND DRINKS  
       CONTAINING THE SAME  
 Examiner : D. A. Jagoe  
 Group Art Unit : 1614

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PETITION FOR A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

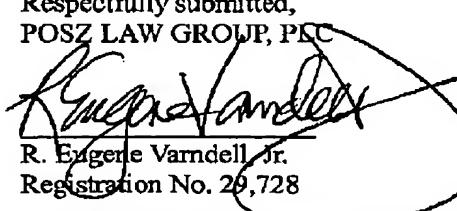
Commissioner for Patents  
 P.O. Box 1450  
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September 29, 2006

Dear Sir:

Under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.17 and §1.136, applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time for filing a response to the Official action mailed June 1, 2006, which set forth a three-month period for response. This petition for a one-month extension of time extends the due date for response to October 1, 2006. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the one-month extension of time fee in the amount of \$120 (ONE HUNDRED TWENTY DOLLARS) and any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to our deposit account No. 50-1147.

Respectfully submitted,  
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